IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application for:

Thomas A. Silvestrini

Serial No.: 08/993,946

Filing Date: December 18, 1997

For: CORNEAL IMPLANT METHODS AND PLIABLE IMPLANT THEREFOR

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Examiner: D. Willse

Group Art Unit: 3738

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PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME (37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a))

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), Applicant hereby petitions for a 5 month extension of time from the Notice of Appeal filed on March 16, 2001.

1. This communication is in connection with the matter for which this extension is	requested
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a. is filed herewith; or

b. has been filed on

2. Applicant(s) claim Small Entity Status under 37 CFR § 1.27.

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3. The following fees are submitted:

	TOTAL MONTHS REQUESTED	OTHER THAN SMALL ENTITY	SMALL ENTITY	CALCULATIONS
a. 🗌	one month	\$11000	\$55.00	\$
b. 🗌	two month	\$390.00	\$195.00	\$
c. 🗌	three month	\$890.00	\$445.00	\$
d. 🗌	four month	\$1,390.00	\$695.00	\$
e. 🛚	five month	\$1,960.00	\$980.00	\$980.00
An extension for months has already been secured for filing the above- identified communication and the fee paid therefor of \$ is deducted from the total fee due for the total months of extension now requested. The fee for this extension (\$), minus the fee previously paid (\$) equals \$ (total fee due).				\$
	\$980.00			

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	for timely filing if an extension of time is still required after all papers filed with this
	communication have been considered.

- Please charge Deposit Account No. <u>50-1189</u>, Billing Ref. <u>23915-7321</u>, in the amount of <u>\$980.00</u> to cover the above-fees. *A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed*.
- The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-1189, Docket No. 23915-7321. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Dated: October 16, 2001

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